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Nicodemus-Hildebrand Farmstead  
Buckeystown vicinity  
Private

Ca. 1855-ca. 1925

The Nicodemus-Hildebrand Farmstead is dominated by a two-story frame vernacular Gothic Revival dwelling built about 1855 by Augustus W. Nicodemus, Sr. and altered about 1880 by Lewis A. Hildebrand, the subsequent owner. Between these two owners, the basic five-bay house acquired rusticated wood siding with corner quoins, a projecting central bay, polygonal two-story bays on the end elevations, shingled gables and bargeboard ornaments, and a one-story porch with triple pediments above its roof. The ca. 1880 frame bank barn and wagon shed/corn crib and possibly the summer kitchen were built by Hildebrand and early 20th century owners added other agricultural buildings, including a non-contributing concrete block dairy barn and milk house. The farmstead is principally important for the spectacular craftsmanship of the dwelling, which echoes the well-known houses of the Buckeystown National Register Historic District (F-1-29). Nicodemus farmed the property until about 1872 and sold it to Hildebrand in 1880, who built a new bank barn, (the present structure) and other outbuildings.

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HISTORIC CONTEXT:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization: Piedmont  
(Harford, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Howard, Montgomery  
Counties, and Baltimore City)

Chronological/Development Period:  
Agricultural-Industrial Transition, A.D. 1815-1870  
Industrial/Urban Dominance, A.D. 1870-1930

Prehistoric/Historic Period Themes  
Agriculture  
Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Community Planning

Resource Type:

Category: Building

Historic Environment: Rural

Historic Function & Use:  
Domestic/single dwelling/residence  
Domestic/secondary structure/kitchen  
Agriculture/subsistence/animal facility/barn  
Agriculture/subsistence/storage/granary

Known Design Source: None

# Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF  
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Magi No.

DOE ☐ yes ☒ no

## 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Nicodemus-Hildebrand Farmstead

and/or common

## 2. Location

street & number 4206 New Design Road ☐ not for publicationcity, town Buckeystown ☒ vicinity of congressional district 6th

state Maryland county Frederick

## 3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

## 4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Martin-Marietta Corp.

street &amp; number P.O. Box 549 telephone no.:

city, town Carmel state and zip code IN. 46032

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Frederick County Courthouse liber 1396

street &amp; number 100 W. Patrick St. folio 685

city, town Frederick state MD. 21701

## 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date ☐ federal ☐ state ☐ county ☐ local

pository for survey records

city, town state

## 7. Description

Survey No. F-1-177

<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved      date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

CONTRIBUTING RESOURCE COUNT: 6

The Nicodemus-Hildebrand Farmstead is centered on a two-story frame house built about 1855 in a vernacular Gothic Revival style and its domestic and agricultural outbuildings ranging in date from about 1855 to about 1925, including a frame bank barn, a frame wagon shed/corn crib, a frame tractor shed, and a frame summer kitchen. A non-contributing concrete block dairy barn and milk house and several other non-contributing structures are also in the group of buildings. The farmstead is located on the west side of New Design Road about 1-1/2 miles west of Buckeystown, Frederick County, Maryland. The house is highly decorated with projecting polygonal bays, shingled gables with bargeboard ornaments, etched glass door panels, shaped window frames, and a one-story porch with three roof pediments. Some of the decoration may have been part of a remodeling done in the 1880's, and the bank barn and wagon shed/corn crib were also built during this decade as well. Dates for the original construction of the house, its remodeling, and the outbuildings are based on architectural evidence, land records, and local histories.

The dwelling is basically a five-bay house with a two-story rear wing, the typical German-influenced plan of rural houses in the 19th century. The chimneys are located on the interior walls of the north and south gable ends and the roof is covered with standing seam metal. The central bay on the principal east elevation projects from the facade and the one-story porch crossing the facade corresponds to the outline of the house. The center bay has a cross gable with a shingled face and extended eaves with a crossed gable ornament. The north and south gables are also shingled and have a gable ornament. The exterior rusticated wood siding has applied quoins at the corners. The north and south elevations have two bays each and one bay on each elevation is a two-story polygonal bay. The first story sash on the east elevation and in the bays is 1/1 and the rest are 2/2 with louvred shutters. In the projecting central portion are two second story windows and two small pointed arched windows are located in the shingled gable face at the attic level. The three pedimented roof elements on the porch are unusual in Frederick County, although many have a single central pediment. The pediments have low pitches and shingled surfaces in the tympani. The porch also has a dentil molding and bracketed and chamfered posts. The entrance has double doors with etched glass panels in the upper sections. The two-story rear wing has open two-story porches on the north and south elevations. The south porch is integral, but the north side porch was probably added, as the shed porch roof extends from the eaves of the original gable roof. Each porch has a simple balustrade railing on the upper level. An interior chimney rises above the roof of the wing and an exterior brick chimney is located on the west end of the wing. The interior of the house retains much of its wood trim and molded mantelpieces and hardwood floors. The center hall plan is similar to many mid-19th century dwellings, with the projecting bays and the front entrance foyer as variations. The rear wing contains two rooms, the easternmost being the present kitchen.

Summer kitchen: The summer kitchen has german siding and a standing seam metal roof. It is located immediately west of the rear wing. Six over six windows are located on the north and south elevations and a vertical board door is on the south.

## 8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

**Specific dates** C. 1855 - C. 1925 **Builder/Architect**

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D  
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☒ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

The Nicodemus-Hildebrand Farmstead is significant for the architecture of the dwelling, a fine example of the vernacular Gothic Revival of the mid-19th century which displays the high level of craftsmanship of local builders in the Buckeystown area. Several houses in the Buckeystown National Register Historic District (F-1-29) also have fine wood trim in exterior porches, bays, cornices, window frames, railings, and roof features. The house was built about 1855 by Augustus W. Nicodemus, Sr. (born 1833). His brother Eli built a house on the farm immediately to the south, both being part of the property of their father John Nicodemus. A. W. Nicodemus served one term as a County Commissioner in the 1870's and was Judge of 'he Orphans' Court as well as a one-term Maryland state legislator. Nicodemus sold the farm to Lewis A. Hildebrand (1832-1900) at a date given in land records as 1880 and in the 1910 county history as 1872. In any case, Nicodemus went on to build one of the largest residences in the Buckeystown Historic District and, with his son A. W., Jr., founded a creamery in the town. Lewis Hildebrand made some changes to the house and built a new bank barn, as well as other outbuildings. It is not clear what changes were made by Hildebrand to the house, but they may have included the polygonal bays on the north and south gables and perhaps the shingled gable faces and bargeboard decorations. Between these two owners, the dwelling achieved its highly textural surfaces and picturesque appearance. While several houses in Frederick County retain the rusticated siding similar to that of the Nicodemus-Hildebrand House, few have the variety of features and trim present in this house. The triple pediments of the porch are particularly unusual.

The 1858 Isaac Bond Map shows that a saw mill was located on or near the Nicodemus farmstead. A spring just north of the house was identified as "Willow Spring" and it also appears on the 1873 map. The spring is still active and flows across the entrance drive to the farm from New Design Road, forming a pond south of the house. No structures remain above ground to suggest a mill site, but low sections of stone walls or foundations appear to be scattered along the edge of the water course from the spring and may have a connection with the former industrial use.

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. F-1-177

Bond, Isaac. Map of Frederick County, 1858.

Grove, William J. History of Carrollton Manor. Frederick: Marken & Bielfeld, Inc., 1928, 176.

Land Records of Frederick County

(Continued on separate sheet)

## 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 10 acresQuadrangle name Buckeystown, Md.Quadrangle scale 1:24000UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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Zone	Easting							Northing	

B 

Zone	Easting							Northing	

C 

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### Verbal boundary description and justification

Approximately 10 acres centered on the dwelling on Tax Map 85, Parcel 3

### List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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state	code	county	code
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## 11. Form Prepared By

name/title Janet L. Davis, Historic Sites Surveyororganization Frederick County Planning & Zoning Dept. date May 1993street & number 12 E. Church Street telephone 696-2958city or town Frederick state MD. 21701

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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7.1 Description (Continued)

elevation. An off-center interior brick chimney rises above the roof ridge. The foundation is concrete block, although this may conceal an earlier stone foundation. The form and materials of the summer kitchen place in the last quarter of the 19th century, but the generally functional design was commonly used well into the 20th century.

Bank barn: The large frame bank barn was built during the 1880's, according to Williams & McKinsey's 1910 History of Frederick County. It has vertical tongue-and-groove siding and arched louvred vents in the gable ends and south elevation. On the north side are several sliding doors and the base of a terra cotta silo next to the ramp. The standing seam metal roof has three metal ventilators with scrolled decoration. The southeast corner of the stall level is enclosed with concrete block to form a milking parlor, an alteration of about 1925.

Wagon shed/corn crib: The wagon shed with flanking corn cribs was also built in the 1880s and has the same tongue-and-groove siding as in the barn. It is located west of the barn and the drive-through passage runs north-south. Vertical board doors give access to the cribs. The gable roof is standing seam metal and the east and west sides are enclosed with vented horizontal siding.

Tractor shed: The frame tractor shed is located north of the bank barn and was probably built in the first decade of the 20th century. It is a rectangular building with a standing seam gable roof and vertical siding. The south elevation has two sliding doors and a central support post.

Red terra cotta block dairy: This building is located between the tractor shed and the concrete block dairy barn and, in appearance and location, must have served as an additional milk handling station to the dairy barn and its adjoining milk house. Its date is about 1920-1925. It has a standing seam metal roof and a glass paneled door on the west elevation. The windows are 6/6.

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9.1 Bibliography (Continued)

Titus, C.O. Atlas of Frederick County, 1873.

Williams, T.J.C., and Folger McKinsey. History of Frederick County, V.2, 1910. Reprinted Baltimore: Regional Publishing Co., 1979; 970, 1020.

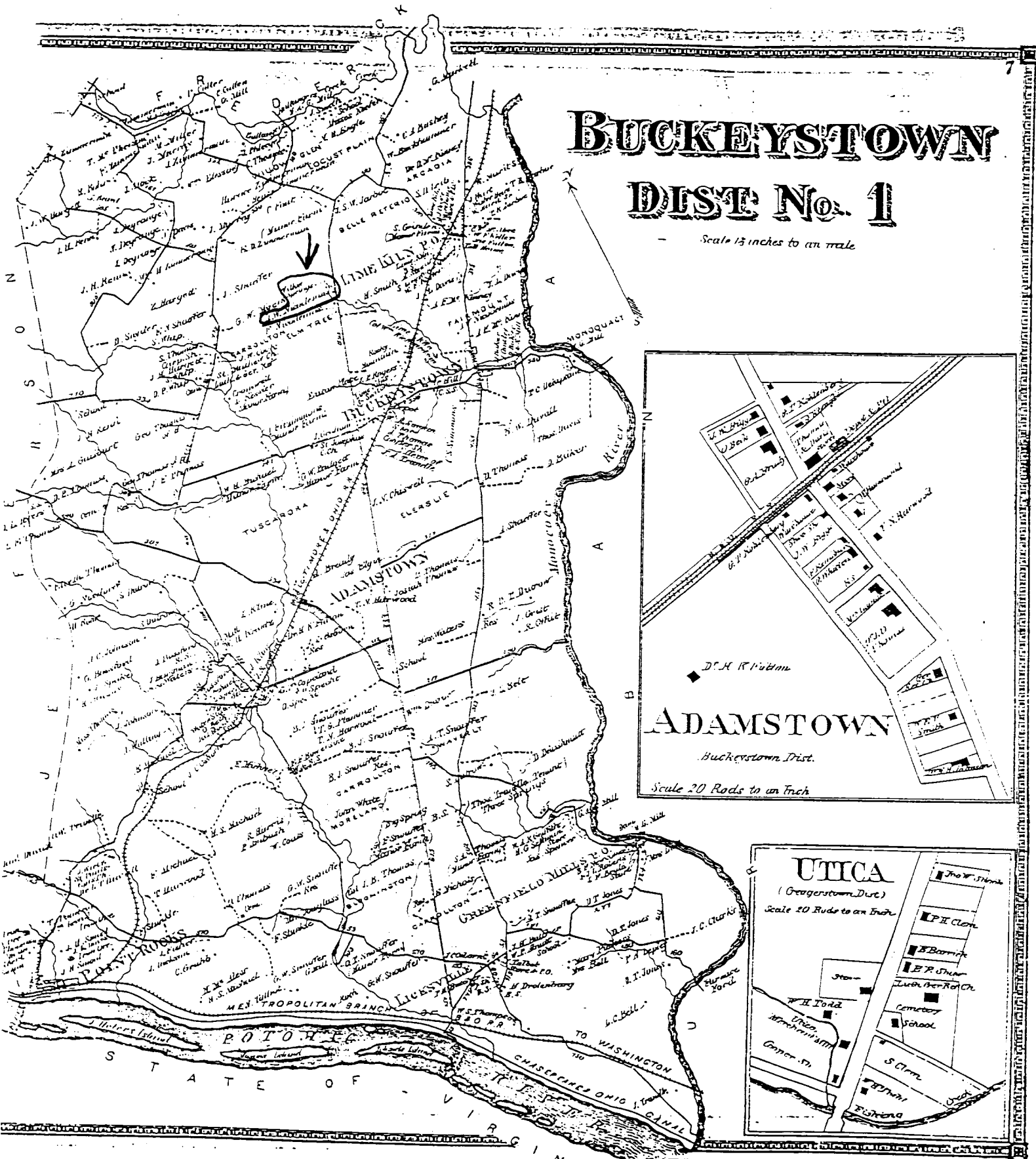


42c New Design Rd.

Liber/Folio	Grantee	Grantor	Lot Size, Description, Other Information, Original Tracts	Cost	Miscellaneous
1396/635 17 Feb 87	Martin Marietta Corp.	Marpat Founda- tion, Inc.	Lot No. 7, part of "Carrollton Manor", also known as "The Moore Farm"	\$520,000	197A., 2A., 37.74A.
1273/416 22 Feb 85	Marpat	Mary Marven Breckenridge Patterson & Riggs Natl Bank, co-trustees of Marven B. Patterson Revocable Trust			
1186/394 3 Dec 82	Mary Marven Breckenridge Patterson & Riggs Natl Bank	Mary Marven Breckenridge Patterson			
1186/390 29 Nov 82	Mary Marven Breckenridge Patterson	Mary M. Breckenridge Patterson, Charles Able & Riggs Natl Bank pers. reprs. of Ls. WFT & Estate of Jefferson Patterson			
469/136 13 Feb 48	Jefferson Patterson	James A. Moore et al			197A. etc.
438/291 1 Apr 43	James A. Moore et al	Thos. P. & Bertha R. Culler			
329/26 29 Sept 19	Thos. P. & Bertha R. Culler	George L. & Isadora V. Hildebrand (both unmarried)			197A. etc.
AF 2/568 29 Dec 1880	Lewis A. Hildebrand	Augustus W. Nicodemus et al	part of Lot #7 of "Carrollton Manor"	\$21,000	
BGF 2/383 5 May 1852	Augustus W. Nicodemus	John Nicodemus	(no earlier refs in this deal)	\$11,000	197A., 22 p.

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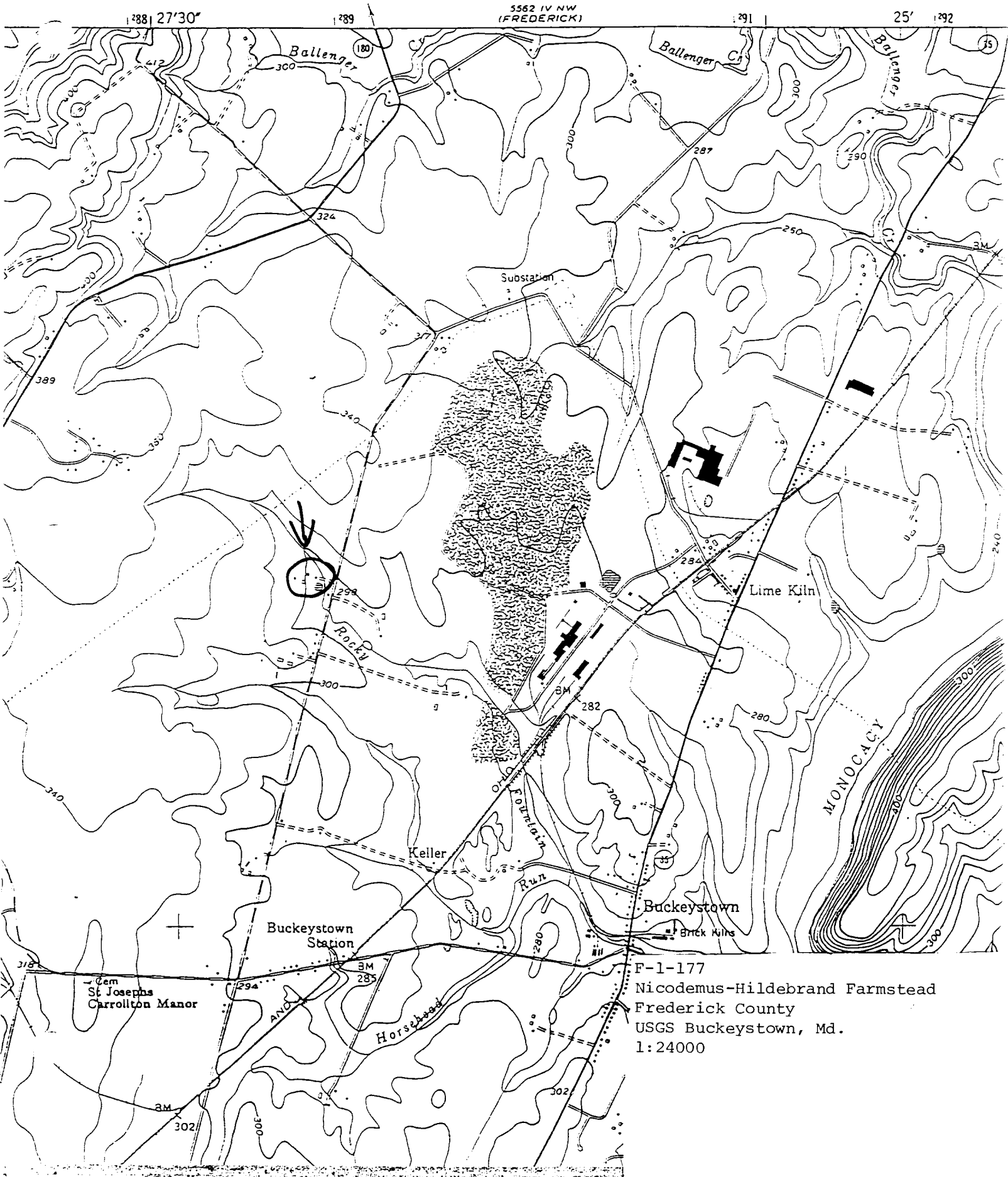
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Frederick County  
C.O. Titus, Atlas of Frederick  
County, 1873

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Niedermuehlen-Edelkorn-Farmstead

Friedrichs-Pond

Photo: Sunset View

April 1992

Nea. loc. 1/4 - 1/2 mi. S. of Farmstead

Scot. loc. 1/4 - 1/2 mi. S. of Farmstead

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E. 1-17-71

Nice old 2-1/2' David Farmstead  
Frederick County

Photo: Janet Egan

Apr. 1971

Neg. 100. 1/2" Egan. 1/2" 1/2"

Look back and find northwest corner view  
2/5



E. 1. 12

Nucemus - H. Shepard Farmstead  
Frederick County

Photo: Janet Davis  
April 1993

Neg. loc.: Mid. S. 1000 (Chowchewie 75)  
'Nucemus' (see 1993) seedling's name  
4/5



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M. 1000000 - M. 1000000 1000000

Frederick (1000000)

Photo: Janet Davis

April 1993

Weg: 1000000 - M. 1000000 1000000

Shed m. & house and down 1000000 view from  
Southwest

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